

NEWS RELEASE

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DEER CHECKING STATIONS TO OPEN FOR FIRST TWO DAYS OF DEER SEASON AND FOLLOWING TWO SATURDAYS

New Deer Checking Station at Bob's Trading Post on SR 321

Deer hunters who harvest a deer on or near the Kinzua Quality Deer Cooperative (KQDC) are encouraged to bring their deer to the official checking stations on Monday and Tuesday, December 1 and 2. Hunters bringing in a legal antlered deer will receive one raffle ticket and those bringing in antlerless deer will receive two tickets for a raffle of valuable prizes such as rifle, prints, and scopes. All deer are weighed and checked for sex, age, and health, and additional data are collected on antlered deer for points, spread, and beam diameter. The data collected provides critical information used in managing the health of the herd.

The official KQDC checking stations are located at the: 1) Warehouse Inn and Restaurant at the junction of State Routes 59 and 321 near Marshburg, 2) Willows Restaurant at the junction of State Route 346 and Forest Road 173, and 3) Bob's Trading Post on State Route 321 near the Red Bridge Recreation Area. The hours of operation for the three checking stations will be from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, on the days the checking stations are open.

The official KQDC checking stations will be open the first two days of firearm deer season and the following two Saturdays, December 1 and 2, December 6, and December 13.

The KQDC is a project involving 113 square miles of land managed by Kane Hardwoods (a Collins Pine Company), Forest Investment Associates, Bradford Water Authority, RAM Forest Products, and the Allegheny National Forest in western McKean County. Hunters who want to learn more about KQDC may visit the website at <http://www.visitanf.com>, or call 814/362-4613.

A list of open hunting roads follows.

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Allegheny National Forest Roads Open for Hunting Seasons

Marienville District Roads, 814/927-6628			Bradford District Roads, 814/362-4613		
Forest Road #	County	Road Name	Forest Road #	County	Road Name
125A	Elk	Corduroy	558	Forest	Schwab Ridge (open to sign)
134	Elk	Pigeon	117	Warren	Rock Run (open to 2 nd gate)
161	Elk	Davidson Run	140	Warren	Coal Flat
185E 185F	Elk	Little Mill Creek	204	Warren	Rob's Knob
196	Elk	Martin Ridge	252	Warren	West off FR 154
198	Elk	Crane-Martin	438	Warren	Clarendon Run
228B	Elk	Zimmerman Tower	441	Warren	Mix

326	Elk	Wolf Run		534	Warren	Muddy Branch
341	Elk	Turkey Roost		535	Warren	Cherry Grove Center
394	Elk	Watson Branch		552	Warren	East Hickory
442	Elk	Big Run		120A	McKean	County Line "A"
580	Elk	Spring Creek		153	McKean	Tracy (both gates)
581	Elk	Propagation		174	McKean	Prue Hollow
584	Elk	Elk Forest		272	McKean	Willow Creek Br.
591	Elk	Log Run		273	McKean	Fuller Brook (open to 2 nd gate)
592	Elk	Lick Run		317	McKean	Pennzoil (open to 2 nd gate)
757	Elk	Turkey Flock		451	McKean	Switch Hollow
443 , 443A	Elk/Forest	Crane Run		478	McKean	North Westline
128F	Forest	Seldom Seen		479	McKean	North Thundershower
145A	Forest	Salmon Creek		500	McKean	Dutchman (open to 2 nd gate)
166	Forest	Laurel Run		500A	McKean	Dutchman
180	Forest	The Branch		628	McKean	Plateau
208	Forest	Prather Run				
214	Forest	Wildcat Run				
218A	Forest	Hastings				
219	Forest	Rocky Run				
223	Forest	Bald Hill				
225	Forest	Rest Area				
395	Forest	Pipeline				
396, 396A	Forest	Horse Trail				
399	Forest	Three Mile				
488	Forest	Reck Branch				
526	Forest	Coal Bed Run				
559	Forest	West Bird Dog				
683	Forest	Bald Hill				
279	McKean	Headwaters				
295, 295A	McKean	South Branch				
432, 432A	McKean	Trail West				
448	McKean	Hubert Run				
463	McKean	Greendale				
475	McKean	Breezy Heights				

The following roads were not included on the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM), but will be open from October 4, 2008, thru January 10, 2009:

FR#	County	Road Name		FR#	County	Road Name
340A,B,C & D	Elk	Silver Creek		309	McKean	Kennedy Springs
128FA	Forest	Seldom Seen Area		318	McKean	Duck Pond
130B	Forest	Lamonaville – B		464	McKean	Lafayette/Marshburg
166B	Forest	Laurel Run		480	McKean	Wildcat
418	Forest	Bush Creek		163	Warren	Cherry Knob
774	Forest	Pearsall Run		254	Warren	Bull Hill
268	McKean	Bump Run		410A	Warren	Messenger Run
306	McKean	Timbuck		648	Warren	Dunham Run (open to 2 nd gate)